

ENVIRONMENTAL JUSTICE AND POLICY MINOR

The Environmental Justice and Policy minor offers an interdisciplinary framework for examining how disparities of class, race, gender, and organizational capacity interact with access to a safe and healthy environment.

About this Program

- **College:** Liberal Arts and Sciences (<http://catalog.ufl.edu/UGRD/colleges-schools/UGLAS/>)
- **Credits:** 15 | Completed with minimum grades of C and no optional S-U | 9 must be at the 3000-level or above

Department Information

The Department of Sociology and Criminology & Law has over 1,000 undergraduate majors and 100 graduate students. The department's faculty are internationally known for their research in the areas of families, gender, and sexualities; health, aging, and the life course; environmental and resource sociology; race and ethnicity; criminology and criminal justice; and psychology and law.

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Curriculum

- Combination Degrees
- Criminology
- Criminology UF Online
- Sociology
- Sociology Minor
- Sociology Minor UF Online
- Sociology of Social Justice and Policy Minor
- Sociology UF Online

Sociology offers broad theoretical perspectives and rigorous methodologies to analyze how and why such inequalities are produced and maintained locally, nationally, and globally. Students pursuing an EJP minor explore the impact of environmental hazards on the health and economic opportunities of vulnerable and marginalized populations; the mechanisms by which environmental conflicts are managed at the local, state, national and global levels; the real-world implications of issues such as climate change, food security, public health and hazard exposure; the spatial dimensions of environmental inequalities and how they are experienced; the strategies and tactics of social movement organizations seeking environmental justice; and how environmental justice is addressed in public policies. The EJP minor introduces students to environmental scholars across the campus community, expanding networking and mentoring opportunities, exposing students to diverse ideas, methods, and theories in the area of environmental justice, and

teaching fundamental skills and competencies for careers related to policy making and research in the environmental sphere.

REQUIREMENTS

- Students must complete a minimum of nine credits of coursework exclusive to the minor that cannot count toward their major(s) or other minors or certificates.
- Students must complete at least three courses at the 3000 level or higher and each must be at least three credits.
- A minimum of 9 credits must be from Sociology courses (i.e., courses with the prefix SY).
- Minimum 3 credits from Category A courses focusing on Theories of Social Inequality, Difference and Power.
- Minimum 3 credits from Category B courses focusing on Issues of Environmental Justice, Research and Policy.
- At least one course from Category A or Category B must be Sociology (SY).
- With the approval of the undergraduate coordinator for Sociology, students may petition to have other, relevant classes approved as substitutes within each category of electives within the minor. Such courses could include department *special topics* offerings with numbers like 3930 or 4930.
- No more than three credits of independent study (SYA 4905), research (SYA 4911) or internship (SYA 4941) may count toward the minor.
- All courses must be completed with minimum C grades.
- The EJP minor is not available to Sociology majors.

REQUIRED COURSES

Code	Title	Credits
SYG 2010	Social Problems	3
Select one:		3
SYA 4930	Special Study (Environmental Change and Justice)	
SYA 4930	Special Study (Environmental Racism)	
Category A elective		3
Category B elective		3
Additional SY elective from Category A or Category B ¹		3
Total Credits		15

¹ 3 credits of SYA 4905 or SYA 4911 or SYA 4941 may apply to this category as approved by the Sociology undergraduate coordinator.

Approved Electives

Category A | Theories of Social Inequality, Difference, and Power

Choose at least one 3 credit course

Code	Title	Credits
SYD 3395	Sociology of Globalization	3
SYD 3700	Sociology of Race and Racism in the U.S.	3
SYD 3410	Urban Sociology	3
SYA 4930	Special Study (Environmental Inequality)	3
SYA 4930	Special Study (Environmental Racism; if not already taken as required course)	3
SYA 4930	Special Study (Race and Ethnic Relations)	3
SYA 4930	Special Study (Social Movements)	3
SYD 4510	Environment and Society	3

SYD 4512	Social Institutions and Environment	3	BCN 1582	International Sustainable Development	3
SYD 4020	Population	3	ECO 2310	Economics of Sustainability	3
SYO 4530	Social Inequality	3	ECP 3302	Environmental Economics and Resource Policy	4
SYO 3534	Poverty	3	FYC 4408	Organizational Leadership for Nonprofits	3
SYO 4352	Consumption, Economy and Society	3	FYC 4409	Working with Nonprofit Organizations in Community Settings	3
SYP 3000	Society and the Individual	3	FYC 4427	Non-Governmental Organizations	3
AFS 3300	Poverty and Development in Africa	3	CPO 4793	Environmental Politics in the Global South	3
AEB 3450	Introduction to Natural Resource and Environmental Economics	3	GEO 2006	Natural Hazards Geography	3
AMH 2631	History of Sustainability	3	GEO 2500	Global and Regional Economies	3
AMH 3630	American Environmental History	3	GLY 3163	Geology American National Parks	3
ANT 2402	Anthropology of Sustainability	3	GLY 3882C	Hydrogeology and Human Affairs	3
AFS 4340	Community Conservation and Rural Development in Africa	3	HSC 3201	Community and Environmental Health	3
EVR 2001	Introduction to Environmental Science	3	PHC 3440	Global Public Health	3
FYC 3521	Community Food Systems	3	HIS 3610	History and Public Policy	3
GLY 2038	Sustainability and the Changing Earth	3	WOH 3404	Global History of Energy	3
INR 4035	Rich and Poor Nations in the International System	3	HOS 3285	The Organic Debate: Organic Agriculture Development & Regulations	1
POT 3503	Environmental Ethics and Politics	3	PHI 3641	Ethics and Innovation	3
REL 2071	Sustainability and Religion	3	PHM 3032	Ethics and Ecology	3
REL 2104	Environmental Ethics	3	DCP 3210	Sustainable Solutions for the Built Environment	3
REL 3082	Global Ethics	3	DCP 3220	Social and Cultural Sustainability and the Built Environment	3
REL 3169	Religion and Environmental Movements of the Global South	3	DCP 4941	Practicum in Sustainability and the Built Environment	6
REL 2166	Religion and the Environmental Crisis	3	DCP 4942	Field Experience in Sustainability and the Built Environment	1-6
REL 3103	Religion and Nature in North America	3	IDS 2220	Climate Change Science and Solutions	3
WST 3349	Ecofeminism	3	INR 4350	International Environmental Relations	3
WST 630	Gender, Culture, and Place	3	POS 2032	Politics of Sustainability	3
WIS 523	Human Dimensions of Natural Resource Conservation	3	PUP 4224	Florida Environmental Politics	3
URP 4740	Housing and Urban Development	3	PSY 3626	Psychology of Sustainability	3
			SWS 2007	The World of Water	3
			SWS 2008	Land and Life	3
			SWS 4245	Water Resource Sustainability	3
			SWS 4204	Urban Soil and Water Systems	3
			DCP 3220	Social and Cultural Sustainability and the Built Environment	3
			WST 3371	Women, Leadership & Diversity in the Global Environment	3
			WIS 2040	Wildlife Issues in a Changing World	3
			WIS 2552	Biodiversity Conservation: Global Perspectives	3
			WIS 3434	Tropical Wildlife	3
			WIS 4427C	Wildlife Habitat Management	3
			URP 3001	Cities of the World	3
			URP 4000	Preview of Urban and Regional Planning	3
			URP 4882	Defensible Space and CPTED in Urban Design	3
			URP 4640	Sustainable Urbanism in Europe	3

Category B | Issues of Environmental Justice, Research and Policy

Choose at least one 3 credit course

Code	Title	Credits
SYA 4930	Special Study (Conservation Criminology)	3
SYA 4930	Special Study (Crime and the Environment)	3
SYA 4930	Special Study (Environmental Change and Justice; if not already taken as required course)	3
SYD 4021	U.S. Population Issues	3
SYO 4403	Sociol Envrmt Hlth	3
AEB 4282	International Humanitarian Assistance	3
AEB 4283	International Development Policy	3
AEB 4123	Agricultural and Natural Resource Law	3
AFS 4315	Critical Issues in Contemporary Africa	3
AFS 4345	Political Economy of Conservation in Africa	3
ALS 3030	Urban Agriculture	3
ALS 3133	Agricultural and Environmental Quality	3
ALS 2410	Challenge 2050: Global Uncertainty	3
ALS 3415	Challenge 2050: Developing Tools for Changing the World	3
ALS 3940	Challenge 2050: the Experience	3
ALS 4419	Challenge 2050: Creating Solutions	1
ALS 4950	Challenge 2050: Taking Action	2-6
AGG 3501	Environment, Food and Society	3
ANT 4403	Environment and Cultural Behavior	3
ARC 1000	Architecture and Humanity	3